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visional governments, set up in said States by order of the acting President, are not republican

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gallant soldier, Major General P. H. Sheridan, from the command of the Fifth Military District and the State of Texas, the following resolution was adopted: Whereas, the Secretary of War has appointed to General P. H. Sheridan the general commanding the army of the United States, for his letter of August last, condemning the act of said sitting President, for his removal of Secretary Stanton, as well as for his endorsement of General Sheridan in relation to affairs in the State of Texas. Therefore, the members of the Pennsylvania, moved to lay the resolution on the table. Not agreed to—yeas 28, nays 92.

Mr. Chanler, of New York, demanded a division of the resolution, and the first part was agreed to by a vote of—yeas 79, nays 23; and the second part was also subsequently adopted by a

On motion of Mr. Washburne, of Illinois, the Secretary of the Navy was directed to inform the House—first, The number and names of the vessels connected with the Department since April 1, 1861; second, Name and number of vessels built for Government service since 1861; and third, The facts connected with the purchase of vessels for service since 1861.

Mr. Ward, of New York, sent to the clerk's desk and had read a number of letters from American citizens who had suffered from arrest by the authorities of Great Britain while on visits to England or Ireland. Mr. W. made a few remarks, and then said he would propose a resolution in favor of American citizens to obtain justice from this blood-thirsty country of Great Britain.

When the United States was young in years and rising in power, she had chasteas Great Britain, and she had a right to do so, for the same defensive action should be taken to prevent the frequently recurring outrages upon American citizens going abroad. This country should, in one particular, imitate the example of Great Britain, who, when barbarians arrested a free of her subjects, sent an agent onse to demand their release. It is the duty of our country to take action in directing the Committee on Foreign Affairs to inquire into the circumstances attending the arrest of Daniel Fitzgerald and others, and that the committee have power to send for persons and papers, and to report by bill or otherwise.

Mr. Banks, of Mass., offered a bill declaring eight hours a legal day's work in the navy yards and in all Government workshops of the United States.

Mr. Banks urged the adoption of the resolution.

Mr. Baker, of Ill., thought the bill had better be referred to a committee.

Mr. Banks did not deem that necessary, as the bill was the same as that that had been passed at last session of Congress.

Mr. Pize, of Me., said that proper economy had demanded the discharge of many of the workmen employed at the navy yards. Before this reduction there were over 10,000 persons employed in the navy yards, and there was not

work for kin of them, as Congress had, by resolution, decided that no more vessels were to be built.

Mr. Carey, of Ohio, presented the petition of the employees of the Washington navy yard in this connection, and urged the passage of the bill immediately.

After further discussion, the bill was passed.

Mr. Van Rensselaer, introduced a bill to incorporate the National Hotel Company of the District of Columbia. Referred to the Committee on the District of Columbia.

Mr. Van Rensselaer, of Mo., introduced a bill to consolidate the Indian tribes and to establish a form of government for the Indian Territory. Referred to the Committee on Indian Affairs.

In recognition of Mr. Stanford, of Pa., the Secretary

tary of State was directed to inform the House what State has ratified the 14th amendment of the Constitution of the United States.

The report was referred to the committee on the bill heretofore reported by Mr. Washburn, of Indiana, from the Committee on Soldiers' Bounties, to facilitate the payment of such bounties, and which provides for an increase of the clerical force of the Second Auditor's office, where these claims are considered.

Mr. Washburn addressed the House in support of the bill.

Mr. Pease, of Wis., made a lengthy speech, and moved to amend the bill by increasing the force to 67 additional clerks, instead of 25, as recommended by the committee; and also authorizing

date the additional clerks.
Mr. Getz, of Pa., advocated the passage of the bill.
Mr. Logan, of Ill., desired to insert a provision that soldiers and sailors should be employed to do this duty. There had been a decided disposition to make the duty of paying these bounties, and he wanted the Secretary to have no excuse for not having sufficient force.
Mr. Paine, of Wis., hoped the amendment of Mr. Logan would not be adopted.
After further discussion, Mr. Washburn signified his intention of calling the previous question, pending which, at 3.50 p. m., the House adjourned.

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